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1. [REDACTED] In line with our agreement to keep each other informed of developments regarding the Cienfuegos problem, I called Rear Admiral Means Johnston, Chief of Legislative Affairs, Navy Department, to tell him how we were trying to handle the request from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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2. [REDACTED] Called Ambassador Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, for clarification of State Department's position on the handling of the Cienfuegos matter on the Hill (a Foreign Affairs Committee staff officer had quoted State as saying they were not available to testify on the matter but CIA was). Symmes was not up-to-date but said he would get Assistant Secretary Abshire, who was then meeting on the matter with the Acting Secretary, to call me shortly.

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3. [REDACTED] Had a couple of conversations with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, regarding funding the Agency Reserves. See Memorandum for the Record.

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4. [REDACTED] Talked with Frank Slatinshek, Acting Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, concerning some problems regarding the handling of the Fulbright amendment on the House side. See Memorandum for the Record.

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5. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. Frank Cummings, Administrative Assistant to Senator Jacob K. Javits (R., N.Y.), and gave him a verbal outline of [REDACTED] Mr. Cummings was most appreciative. See Journal item of 17 September.

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8. [] Met with Representative David N. Henderson (D., N. Car.), Chairman, Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service, House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, who told me that the delay in obtaining a rule for the Wage Board bill has tied up the time otherwise available to the Subcommittee. It is my impression that he does not foresee a meeting of the Subcommittee before the recess.

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9. [] Received a call from Marian Czarnecki, House Committee on Foreign Affairs staff, who told me that Chairman Morgan has approved a special meeting of the Inter-American Affairs Subcommittee, chaired by Representative Dante B. Fascell (D., Fla.), on the reported Soviet submarine base in Cuba. He told me that he had been in contact with several persons in the Executive Branch yesterday afternoon and last evening and had been advised this morning in a call from State Department that the White House had determined that Mr. Helms would be available to testify on the facts of the matter. After checking with Mr. Maury, I advised Mr. Czarnecki that this Agency is under the same restrictions that apparently had been detailed to him by State and DOD. Mr. Czarnecki thanked me and told me he would report our response to Dr. Morgan.

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10. [] Received a call from Jim Wilson, House Science and Astronautics Committee staff, who told me that Representative Olin E. Teague (D., Tex.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Manned Space Flight, is planning a talk later in the day and would appreciate advice on material that could be utilized from last week's briefing. Mr. David Brandwein, Chief, FMSAC, responded directly to Mr. Wilson's call and detailed matters relating to Luna 16 and Luna 15 that have previously received some attention in the press.

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